

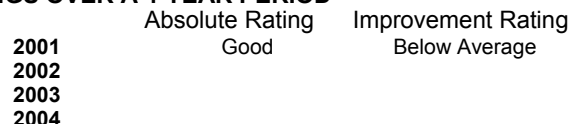
ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 63.

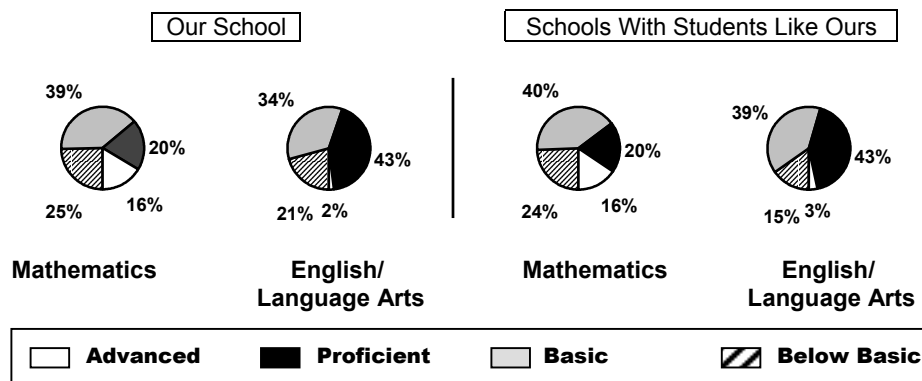
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to good.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=268)	79.1	75.4	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=9)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=259)	80.7	76.8		
Gender				
Male (n=132)	75	75		
Female (n=136)	83.1	75.7		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=102)	62.7	55.9		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=164)	89	87.2		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=80)	62.5	58.8		
Pay for lunch (n=188)	86.2	82.4		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,861	N/A	\$4,889	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	93.6%	Up from 93.5%	90.5%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.8 to 1	N/A	20.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=557)				
• Attendance Rate	96.8%	Down from 97.2%	96.3%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	1.1%	N/A	3.1%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	1.1%	N/A	2.2%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	95.4%	Down from 96.3%	95.3%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	1.6%	Down from 1.7%	2.2%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=36)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	5.4 Days	Down from 6.4	7.7 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	97.1%	No change	95.5%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	63.9%	Up from 60%	54.1%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	75%	Down from 82.9%	87.5%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	90.9%	Down from 92.5%	88.4%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$40,942	Up 6.1%	\$38,879	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	72.1%	N/A	65.8%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	3	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	89.7%	N/A	98.7%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	N/A	N/A	33%	43.1%
• On academic probation	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.2%	Up from 0%	0.7%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	1	N/A	1	1
• Gifted and talented	15.9%	Up from 12.6%	19.1%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	6.7%	Up from 5.6%	8%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Finley Road continues to soar in our second year as a School of Promise. Students served our community by bringing in 3,300 books to donate to local child service agencies. Later, students contributed favorite recipes for a Finley Road Cook Book. The purchase price was set in canned goods and these given to service agencies.

Teachers were trained in using math manipulatives and now use concrete materials more effectively in teaching math concepts and higher level problem solving skills. Fifteen teachers, one or more from each grade, participated weekly in the South Carolina Reading Initiative and began the reorganization of reading instruction at Finley Road that will allow teachers to differentiate instruction and better support achievement.

Our twenty-five Finley Road partnerships contributed throughout the school. They provided weekly tutoring, give coupons for students on the honor roll or having perfect attendance, helped with teacher appreciation, donated garden supplies, and helped in many other ways.

The PTO continued to give immeasurable support to our children. Four events this year provided activities for families to share. Finley Fall Family Fling in September, Bingo Night in January, Talent Night in March, and Spring Family Picnic in May were all very well attended. PTO also provided both leadership and funding for Accelerated Readers.

The PTO and School Improvement Council joined together to support a major landscaping and playground project. Two new units for our playground equipment, nine picnic tables and benches, many trees and shrubs, AND a 43 tree fruit orchard are among the many contributions of the combined efforts of these support groups. Volunteer hours exceeded 8,500. We invite all parents to continue to come and help our children learn.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	86.5	81.7	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	81.1	80.3	
Satisfied with home-school relations	86.5	88.4	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Finley Road Elementary
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Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 557 Students

Principal

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Kathy Pender 803-980-5512

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Good

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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